



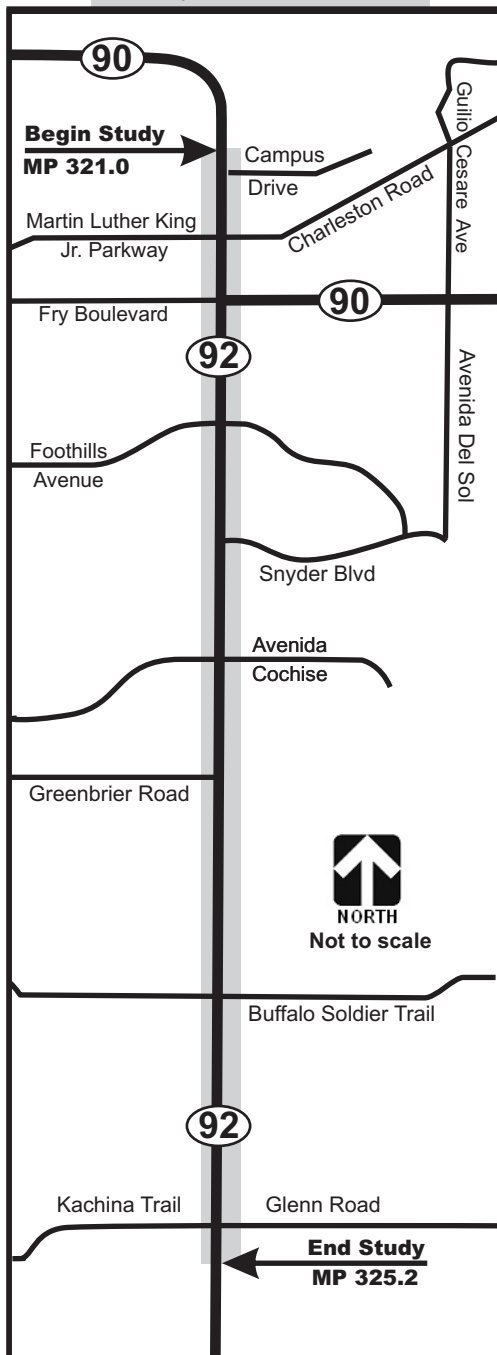
# SR 90/92, Campus Drive to Glenn Road

## Public Meeting - July 17, 2008 - Sierra Vista, Arizona

### INFORMATION SHEET

#### Study Vicinity Map

ADOT Project No: 090 CH 321 H714501L



#### Study Background

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are conducting a study of potential improvements along State Route (SR) 90/92 in Sierra Vista from Campus Drive on SR 90 at milepost (MP) 321.0, south to Glenn Road/Kachina Trail on SR 92 at MP 325.2.

The study's purpose is to determine how to accommodate projected traffic demand through the year 2035. The study serves to identify ways of improving traffic flow and to analyze the potential environmental, social, and economic impacts that would result from those improvements.

#### Study Update

A public scoping meeting was held on November 14, 2007. Twenty-two members of the public attended. This meeting introduced the study to the Sierra Vista community and invited public comments on the study. In general, comments centered on roadway design details including lighting, speed limits, intersection timing, access for businesses, and roadway enhancements for bicyclists. Concerns were voiced whether the improvements could be implemented in time, given the traffic increase generated from local residential and commercial development.

An agency scoping meeting of government agency stakeholders was also held the same day to solicit comments on the study.

Since then, a detailed traffic analysis of the corridor has been performed. This analysis resulted in recommendations for additional lanes and changes to access along the roadway. All improvement alternatives developed include construction of a raised median between the northbound and southbound traffic lanes.

By combining agency and public comments, traffic analysis, and environmental and engineering criteria, three improvement alternatives emerged for further consideration:

- Widen SR 90/92 to the east
- Widen SR 90/92 to the west
- Widen SR 90/92 symmetrically to the east and west

Tonight, the Study Team will present the alternatives under consideration. We invite your input to help refine the alternative concepts, identify their potential impacts, and select a preferred alternative to carry forward for further detailed study.

#### ABOUT TONIGHT'S MEETING

- Please review the exhibits around the room. Study Team members are available to answer questions and discuss details.
- A question and answer session will be held immediately following the presentation. To have your question answered in front of the group, please write it on the back of the card provided. We will be collecting these throughout the meeting to read on your behalf and add into the project record.
- Your input is important to us. Be sure to complete a comment sheet. You may leave it with us tonight or submit it to the Study Team by **August 17, 2008** as directed on the form.

## Recommended Alternative: Symmetrical Widening

Although there are multiple alternatives under consideration, preliminary comparisons point to **symmetrical widening** as the Study Team's recommended alternative for further development. This alternative would generally consist of constructing new lanes on both sides of the existing roadway with a raised median. Please refer to the exhibits around the room to see the preliminary concept for this alternative.

## No Action Alternative

As required by state and federal regulations, the Study Team is considering and evaluating the No Action Alternative. The No Action Alternative assumes that no major improvements would be made to SR 90 and SR 92 within the project area. Environmental impacts that would occur under the No Action Alternative are under evaluation. With this alternative, traffic flow within the study area would continue to deteriorate due to increasing congestion.

## Environmental Impacts

The improvement alternatives are developed with your input and evaluated for environmental impacts in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). NEPA requires federal agencies to include environmental values in their decision-making processes by considering the environmental, social, and economic impacts of their proposed actions and reasonable alternatives to those actions.

## Study Schedule

At this time, the Study Team recommends moving forward to develop the symmetrical widening alternative as a preferred alternative. Based on your input tonight, we will refine the design concepts, conduct further evaluations, and select a preferred alternative. Detailed evaluations will occur over the next several months and will include completion of an Environmental Assessment. Once the Environmental Assessment is completed, a public hearing will be held to share the study results and get input from you on the findings of the study.

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